

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.

New Claims/Restriction Requirement in Parent Application

Applicants note that new claims 37-40 were introduced in the parent application (serial no. 09/784,255) in a preliminary amendment dated May 7, 2001 (as claims 41-44). However, these claims were ultimately the subject of a restriction requirement mailed on July 26, 2002, and the claims were withdrawn from further consideration in the parent application.

Drawings

Applicants submit with this continuation application the formal drawing submitted in the parent application (serial no. 09/784,255).

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of this preliminary amendment prior to examination on the merits.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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